

House File 46

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act authorizing school districts to deduct and pay fees for
2 membership in not-for-profit professional education
3 associations.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
5 TLSB 1844HH 82
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1 1 Section 1. Section 279.59, Code 2007, is amended to read
1 2 as follows:
1 3 279.59 ACCESS BY PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATIONS.
1 4 1. The board of directors of a school district shall
1 5 provide not-for-profit, professional education associations
1 6 that offer membership to teachers or administrators equal
1 7 access to teacher or administrator mailboxes for distribution
1 8 of professional literature.
1 9 2. Notwithstanding section 20.9, a school district may,
1 10 upon a teacher's or administrator's written request, deduct
1 11 from the salary or wages of the teacher or administrator an
1 12 amount specified by the teacher or administrator for payment
1 13 of dues or membership fees for the teacher's or
1 14 administrator's membership in a not-for-profit, professional
1 15 education association. If a written request is granted, all
1 16 other written requests for salary or wage deductions for
1 17 payment of dues or membership fees for membership in the same
1 18 not-for-profit, professional education association shall also
1 19 be granted. The teacher or administrator may withdraw the
1 20 request for the deduction at any time by giving the school
1 21 district thirty days' written notice.
1 22 3. For purposes of this section, unless the context
1 23 otherwise requires, "professional education association" means
1 24 an association in which the majority of members are
1 25 practitioners licensed in accordance with chapter 272.

EXPLANATION

1 26 This bill authorizes school districts, upon the request of
1 27 a teacher or administrator, to pay through payroll deduction
1 28 the teacher's or administrator's dues or membership fees in
1 29 any not-for-profit, professional education association. If
1 30 such a request is granted, all other requests for deductions
1 31 for payment of dues or membership fees for membership in the
1 32 same association shall also be granted.
1 33 Code section 20.9, which includes dues checkoffs within the
1 34 scope of negotiations for collective bargaining agreements, is
2 1 made inapplicable to the payroll deduction provided for in the
2 2 bill.
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